Witness Disclosure Form

Your Name, Business Address, and Telephone Number:

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Clause 2(g)(5) of rule XI of the Rules of the House of Representatives requires non-governmental witnesses to disclose to the Committee the following information. A non-governmental witness is any witness appearing on behalf of himself/herself or on behalf of an organization other than a federal agency, or a state, local or tribal government.

1. Are you appearing on behalf of yourself or a non-governmental organization? Please list organization(s) you are representing.

American Battlefield Trust

2. Have you or any organization you are representing received any Federal grants or contracts (including any subgrants or subcontracts) since January 1, 2017 related to the agencies or programs funded by the Subcommittee?

Yes  No

3. Have you or any organization you are representing received any contracts or payments originating with a foreign government since January 1, 2017 related to the agencies or programs funded by the Subcommittee?

Yes  No

4. If your response to question #2 and/or #3 is "Yes", please list the amount and source (by agency and program) of each Federal grant (or subgrant thereof) or contract (or subcontract thereof), and/or the amount and country of origin of any payment or contract originating with a foreign government. Please also indicate whether the recipient was you or the organization(s) you are representing.

See attached

Signature:  

Date: 2/01/19
The organization I am representing, the American Battlefield Trust, receives very little direct federal grant money, except for the $281,103 in American Battlefield Protection Program planning grants, noted below. However, the Trust is very active in applying for federal grant money for land acquisition (either fee-simple acquisition or acquisition of easements). This money does not go directly to the Trust; the federal grant program we use requires a state or local governmental entity to serve as the recipient of the grant. That government entity then partners with the American Battlefield Trust on the acquisition of the land.

That grant program is the American Battlefield Protection Program’s land acquisition grants program financed through the Land and Water Conservation Fund. Since October 1, 2016, 53 grants have been awarded or obligated as a result of the efforts of the American Battlefield Trust totaling $14,341,650:

Princeton, NJ  $197,500
Brandy Station, VA  $176,611
Harpers Ferry, WV  $954,850
Bentonville, NC  $195,932
Shepherdstown, WV  $42,026
Williamsport, MD  $45,751
Fredericksburg, VA  $67,053
Gaines Mill, VA  $144,965
Appomattox CH, VA  $110,538
South Mountain, MD  $188,114
Fort Ann, NY  $170,177
Sackets Harbor, NY  $683,798
Brices Cross Roads, MS  $130,337
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Kelly's Ford, VA  $152,378
Brandywine Creek, PA  $1,131,738
Eutaw Springs, SC  $99,798
Trevilian Station, VA  $27,034
Second Manassas, VA  $256,925
South Mountain, MD  $123,946
Fort Donelson, TN  $51,773.67
Fort Donelson, TN  $146,413
Prairie Grove, AR  $50,000
Prairie D'An, AR  $725,437
Sackets Harbor, NY  $152,535
Kettle Creek, GA  $167,601
Brice's Crossroads, MS  $76,421
Champion Hill, MS  $49,528
Vicksburg, MS  $79,456
Princeton, NJ  $492,875
Hanging Rock, SC  $42,903
Parker's Crossroads, TN  $101,050
Deep Bottom II, VA  $325,800
Deep Bottom II, VA  $198,601
North Anna, VA  $617,200
Rappahannock Station II, VA  $1,231,550
Wyse Fork, NC  $175,935
Camden, SC  $509,899
Chattanooga, TN  $57,065
Fort Donelson, TN $25,430  
Appomattox Court House, VA $95,312  
Yorktown, VA $1,865,000  
Yorktown, VA $144,253  
Eutaw Springs, SC $31,499  
Franklin, TN $637,500  
Second Manassas, VA $519,515  
New Market Heights, VA $193,722  
Rappahannock Station II, VA $240,306  
Trevilian Station, VA $47,751  
Kessler's Cross Roads, VA $103,488  
Bentonville, NC $43,411  
Averasboro, NC $75,500  
Averasboro, NC $47,449

The American Battlefield Trust has been the recipient of direct grants for interpretation and mapping of battlefields. This program is also administered by the American Battlefield Protection Program. Two grants have been awarded since October 2016, totaling $281,103.

FY2016 — ABPP planning grant of $162,900 to compile and catalogue key data pertaining to battlefields centered in American conflicts beyond the Revolutionary War, War of 1812 and Civil War, to facilitate future investigation into the preservation opportunities at, and the categorization of, these diverse battle sites.

FY2017 — ABPP planning grant of $118,203 to develop a comprehensive preservation and interpretation plan for the Princeton Battlefield.

Additionally, the American Battlefield Trust completed the following 8 inholding land sale transactions with the National Park Service since October 1, 2016, for a total of $1,521,520:

$25,000 for Gettysburg, PA  
$410,520 for Gettysburg, PA  
$138,000 for Gaines Mill, VA  
$402,000 for Gaines Mill, VA  
$30,000 for Stones River, TN  
$280,000 for Shiloh, TN  
$66,000 for Antietam, MD  
$170,000 for Cedar Creek, VA